

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH – NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – HIGH HILL**  
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**Rev. Jasper Liggio, Pastor – Rev. Luke Prihoda, Parochial Vicar**  
**Rev. Alex Aboagye, Parochial Vicar – Deacon Jay Vocelka, ObISB**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18    Rom 8:31b-34    Mk 9:2-10 (26)

Wednesday, February 28 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 PM	Faye Shaw
Sunday, March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10:15 AM	Leo Kainer
Wednesday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 PM	Daniel & Joanne Liebig
Sunday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:15 AM	Richard & Georgia Gabler



**LENTEN STUDY GROUP**

Lad & Denise Trojacek are hosting a Lenten Study Group on the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. The gatherings will be each Wednesday of Lent from 6:30 – 7:30 PM at 501 S. Summit St. in Schulenburg. For information call 979-561-6155.

**LENTEN REMINDERS**

Masses during Lent on Wednesdays will be followed by the Stations of the Cross. There are opportunities for Confession each Sunday 30 minutes before Mass.

**WEEKEND RETREAT**

***Passion of Christ, Strengthen Me*** - Lenten retreat rooted in Christ's Passion and Death. March 1-3, 2024, at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar and hosted by God's Embrace. Dr. Michael Fonseca is the retreat director and Fr. Luke Prihoda will be the retreat priest. \$160 includes meals and accommodations at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. There is also an option for locals who prefer not to stay overnight for \$100. Register today: [www.GodsEmbrace.org/gem-weekend-retreat](http://www.GodsEmbrace.org/gem-weekend-retreat).

**CHURCH SLATE ROOF TILE REMNANTS AVAILABLE**

If you would like a piece of church history, original slate roof tile remnants from St. Mary's Church built in 1906 are now available on the rectory drive through Easter or until gone. Parishioners may choose from these remnants as needed. Be aware that these remnants have broken edges and can be sharp so handle with care. Please help us keep the remaining stacks neat.

**LENT FAQ'S**

**What are the Lent rules on fasting/abstinence?** In this context, abstinence refers to "abstaining" from meat on Fridays during Lent. Whereas Catholics fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday with just one normal meal, Catholics must refrain from eating meat on other Fridays, though they can have three full meals. Age guidelines advise that those 14- 59 must abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent. Canon Law does mention that for young children not fasting, parents should still communicate the meaning of penance. Children, adults with physical and mental illness, pregnant women and those nursing are all exempt.

**CATECHISM COMPANION**

Have you tried to dive into the Catechism only to be overwhelmed? Or maybe you just avoided it all together? This online program is for you! Program begins Monday, March 4 @ 6:30 AM CT. To register contact the God's Embrace office at 979-561-8883 or register online at [www.GodsEmbrace.org/catechism](http://www.GodsEmbrace.org/catechism). Your \$100 annual registration fee and spiritual participation provides support and insights in the development of a three-year program that will form faith-FULL Catholics for years to come.

**SAVE THE DATE**

The 2024 Women's Conference for the Diocese of Victoria is April 13, 2024, this year. For more details visit the Diocese website. Tickets are \$40 each or \$200 for 6 (buy 5 and get 1 free!). More information to come soon. Save the date!

**PILGRIMAGE TO SHRINES OF ITALY**

Join God's Embrace Ministries (GEM) in the Eternal City September 30 – October 9, 2024 (Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Lanciaio, Loreto, Assisi). Bookings made before 2/15/24 will receive an Early Bird Special and save \$150. The group leader will be Dr. Michael Fonseca. For more details contact the group coordinator, Irma Rerich, at [Irma.Rerich@godsembrace.org](mailto:Irma.Rerich@godsembrace.org).

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Sundays of Lent & Easter	<i>Special Collection</i> – Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl
March 10	<i>Special Collection</i> – Catholic Relief Services
March 19	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
March 24	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 28	Holy Thursday
March 28	<i>Special Collection</i> – Education of Seminarians Of the Diocese of Victoria (Holy Thursday)

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

Restoration Box	\$ 108.00
Restoration (anonymous)	\$ 105.00
St. Rose (pass thru)	\$ 15.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 124.06
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection (Churches in Central & Eastern Europe)	\$ 617.26
<u>Offertory (2/28/24)</u>	<u>\$ 1,063.00</u>
Total Deposit	\$ 2,032.32

**LAY MINISTERS**

**SUNDAY – MARCH 3**

Rosary	Susie Shank – Loretta Pauler
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Eucharistic Minister	Stacy Oeding – (Eric Oeding)
Lector	Stephanie Prihoda
Altar Servers	Mikayla Stang
Ushers	Emil Pauler – Ron Srubar
Ushers	Lyle Hanna – Patrick Prihoda
Gifts	Willie & Shirley Schoener

**SUNDAY – MARCH 10**

Joyce Dittrich – Mary K. Lauher
Mary Muras
Kim Wellborn – (Susie Shank)
Carrie Schulz
Charlie Shank
Forrest Lauher – Craig Schulz
Willie Joe Svetlik – Jim Holub
Craig & Carrie Schulz

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Renee Mazoch, Glen McLaren, Henry Miksch, Connor Machicek, Ken Dittrich, Francis Pio Pilkington, Leon Shank, Mary Shank, Larry Nuhn, Jessi Wilcox, Gordon Ross, Diana Heinrich, Doris Anders, Jan Ripper, Cheryl (Kobza) Powell, Nadine Kriskche, Steve Hopkins, Barbara Nugent, Luke Friedel, Orly R. Elizondo, Wilbert Demel, Elroy Demel, Terri Hanna, Georgia Kalich, Bruce Treybig, Carrol Ray Demel, Francis Ripper, Julia Oeding, Lillian Hilscher, Leon Popp, Mary Demel, Marilyn Adamcik, Lad Trojacek, Joyce Dittrich, Mildred Hollas, Kathy Kutac, Al Martinez, Willy Schmidt, Edward Schwenke, Angie Schwenke, Derek Schwenke and Johnnie Bargas.